

Opiate Epidemic Task Force: Naloxone Workgroup Updates



Erie County Health Department

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Trainings this quarter

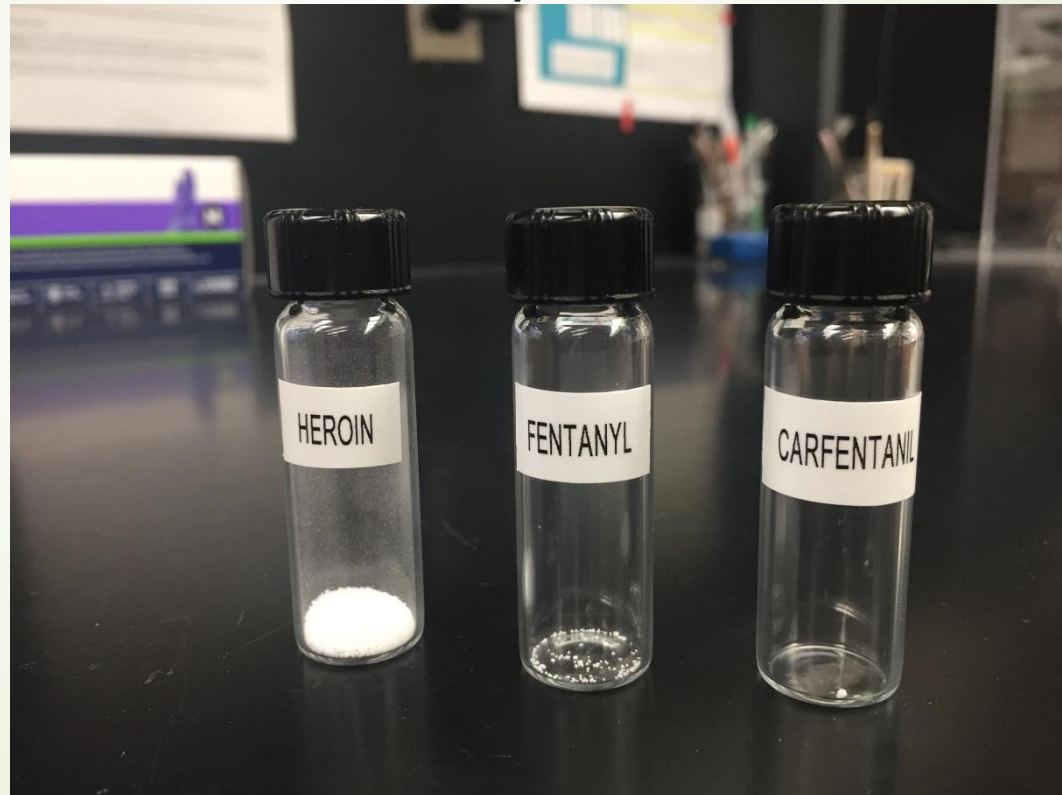
- Continued naloxone trainings conducted, including:
 - Community members
 - Expanding TOTs
 - Emergency Departments
 - College students
 - High school teachers and administrators
 - Volunteer firefighters
 - Security staff: Colleges, malls
 - Law enforcement
 - Street outreach – Community Wellness staff
 - New plans: meeting with volunteers on Tues, train NA, NarAnon members? Have regular community access points?
- We're analyzing the data from the “naloxone usage forms”
 - Both the Police/Fire and the Community forms; a snap shot follows



Note: Be Alert for Carfentanil!

- Carfentanil is one of the more potent fentanyl analogues
 - Legal applications as a large animal tranquilizer (elephants, etc.)
 - 10,000 times more potent than morphine
- Carfentanil has been found NYS (downstate) in an overdose in Yonkers
 - Person thought they were purchasing
- Won't appear any different in a street purchase
- Can still be reversed with Narcan, it may just take more doses

Lethal amounts of Heroin, Fentanyl, and Carfentanil compared



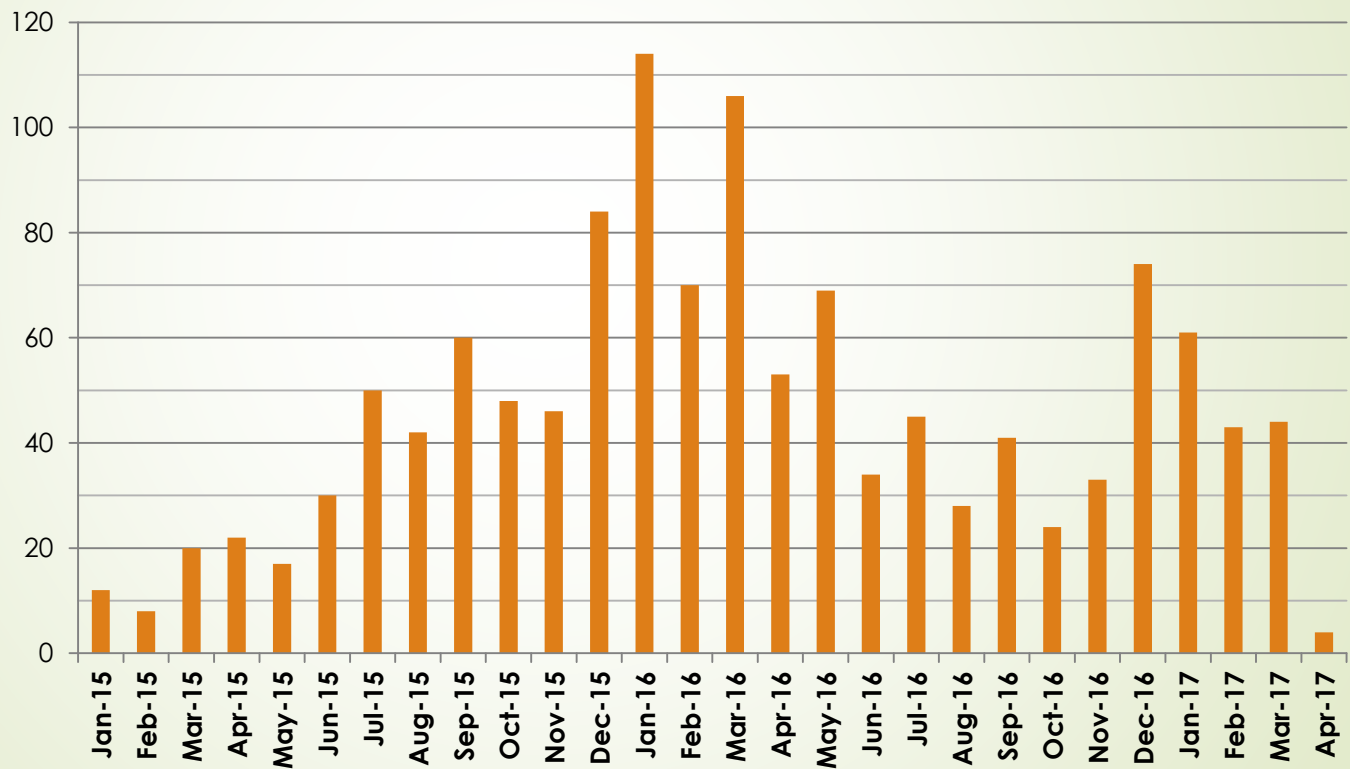
Source: New Hampshire Public Radio/ New Hampshire State Police



What's happening with naloxone/Narcan usage in WNY

- The following slides were created from the “opiate overdose reversal forms” that we collect from first responders and from community members
 - This has helped us understand the community affected
 - Each new batch of forms improves our data; so keep turning in those forms!

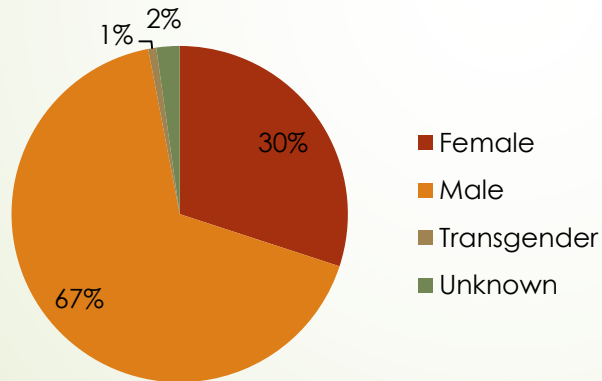
Opiate Overdose Reversals Reported by Month (Police/Fire: N=1,292)



Demographics (Police/Fire forms)

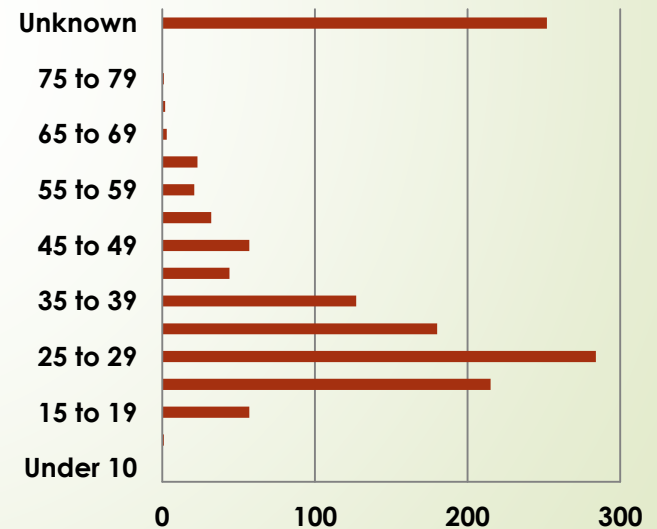
Gender of Person
Overdosing, N =
1,299

Gender, OD



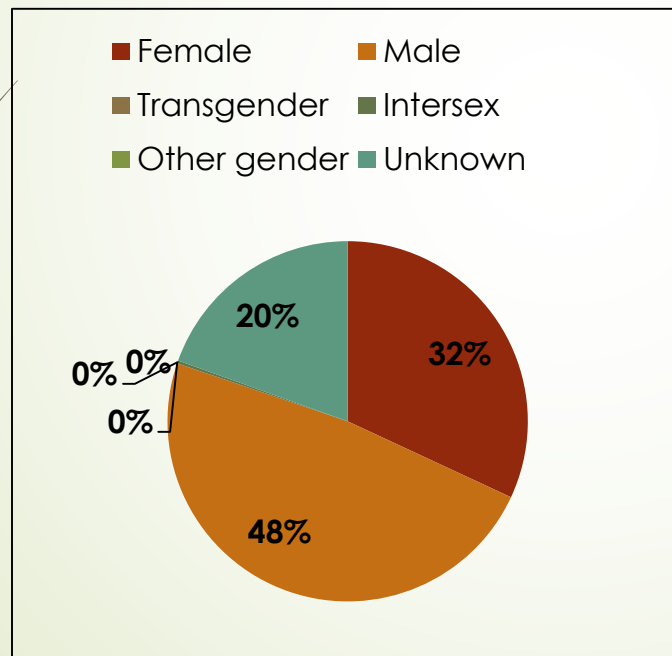
Age at Reversal,
N = 1,299

Age, OD Reversal

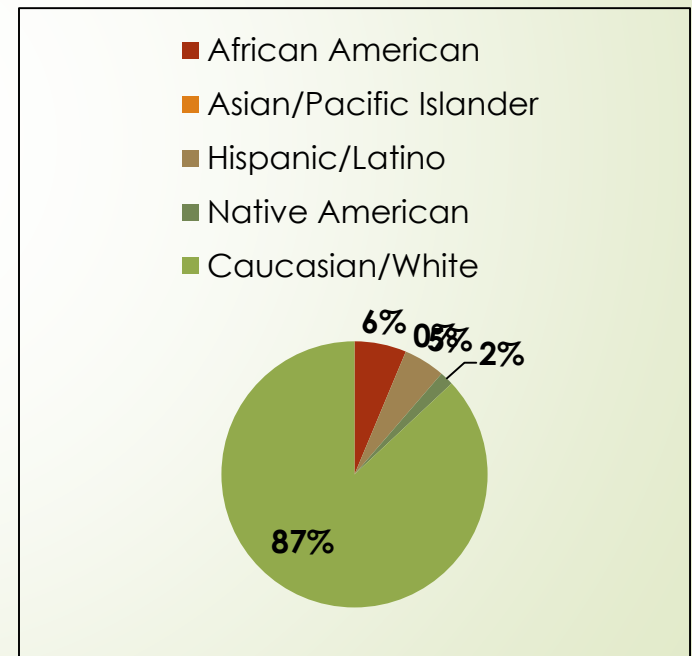


Demographics (Community forms)

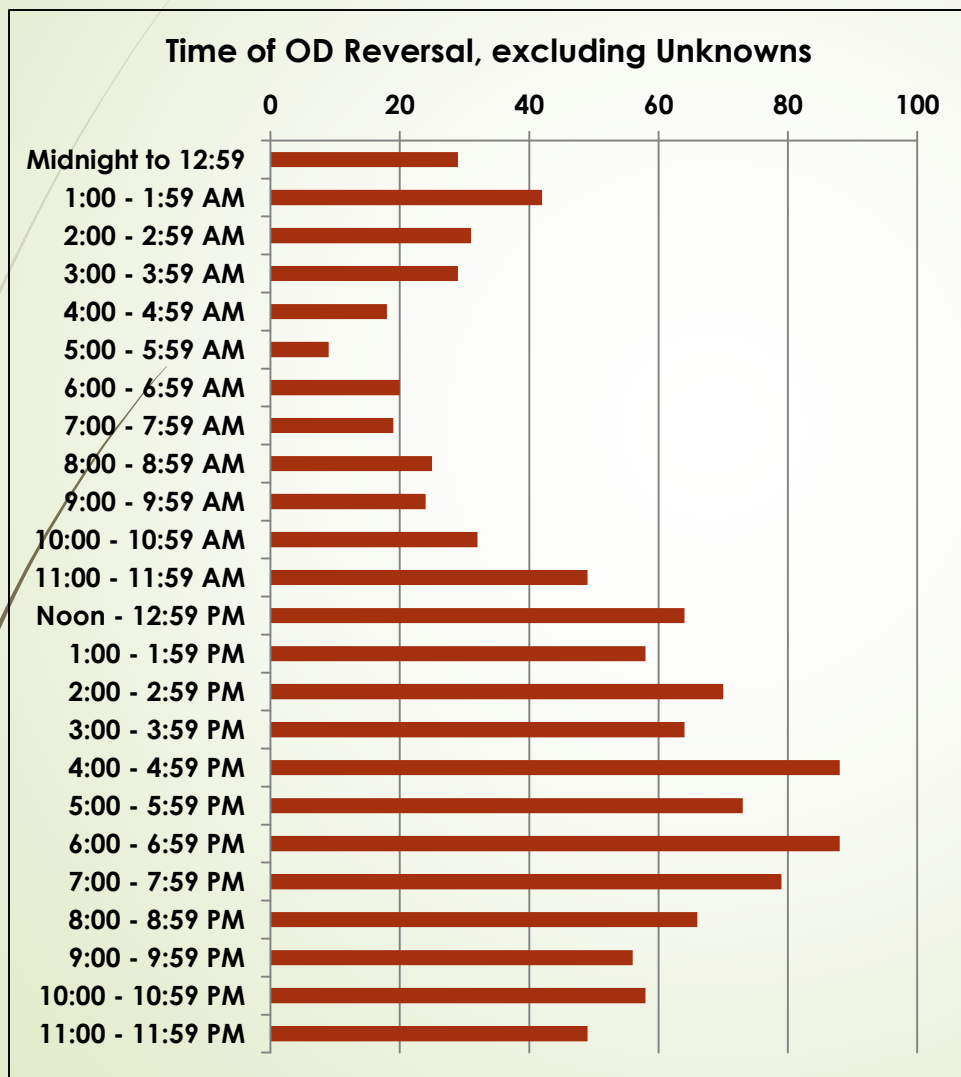
Gender of Person
Overdosing, N =
379



Race/Ethnicity, excluding
Other/Unknown, N = 238



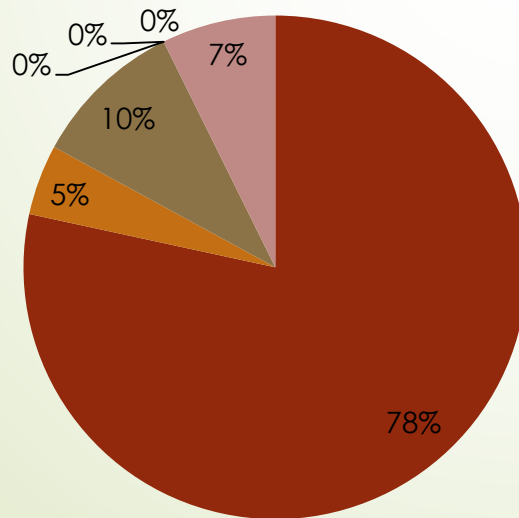
Timing of Overdoses, 24-Hour Cycle (Police/Fire Forms, N = 1,140)



- Time: 1-hour blocks, excl. Unknowns
- We think many people with SUDs have regular schedules
 - Lowest point 5 – 6 AM: Most people asleep?
 - Small spike at noon: lunch break?
 - Small dip 5 – 6 PM: evening commute?

Location of Overdoses (Community Forms, N=287)

- House/apartment
- Business (store, bar, restaurant)
- On the street/outside
- SRO (single residence occupancy)
- Shooting gallery
- Shelter
- Other

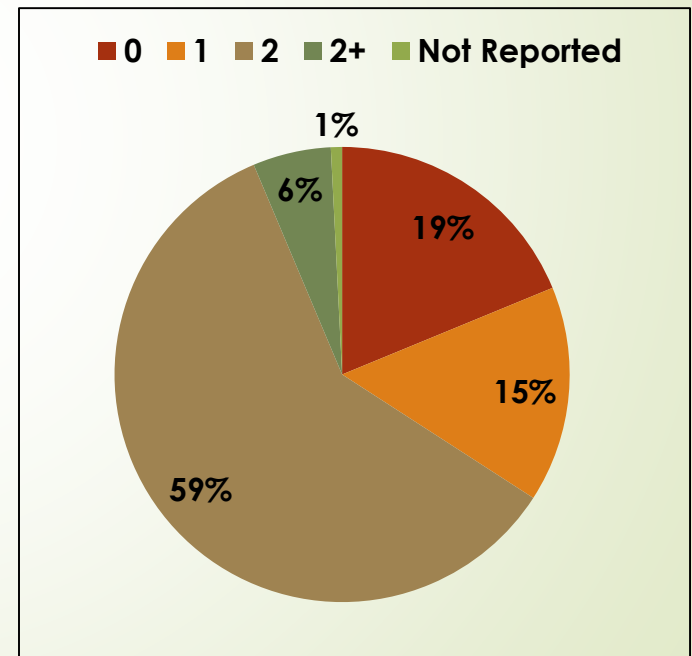
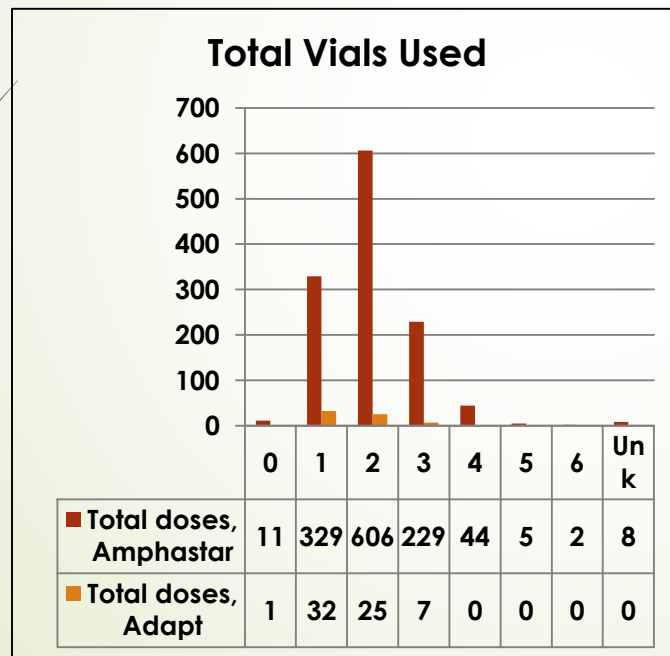


- This question isn't on the Police/Fire forms
- Excludes "Unknown" and "not reported" values

Number of Vials Used to Reverse Overdoses

Police/Fire (First Responder,
Civilian, and EMS, N = 1,299)

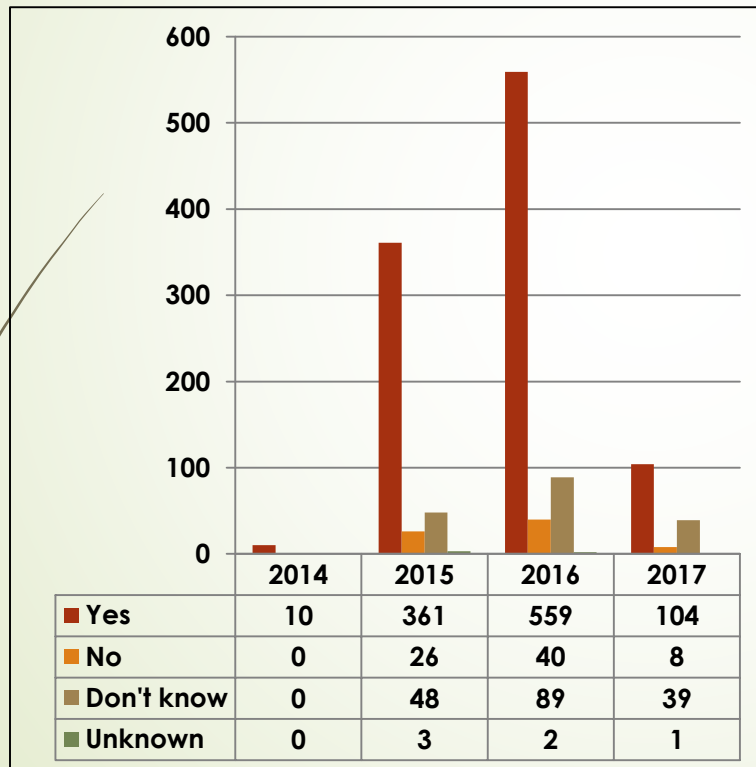
Community (N = 378)



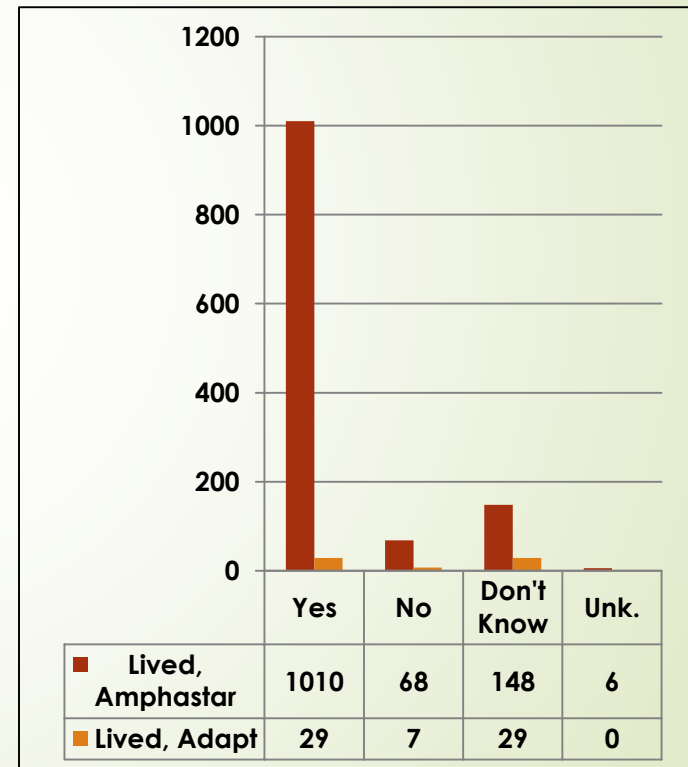
Outcomes by Year: Police/Fire

Did the Person Live:

Police/Fire: N = 1,290

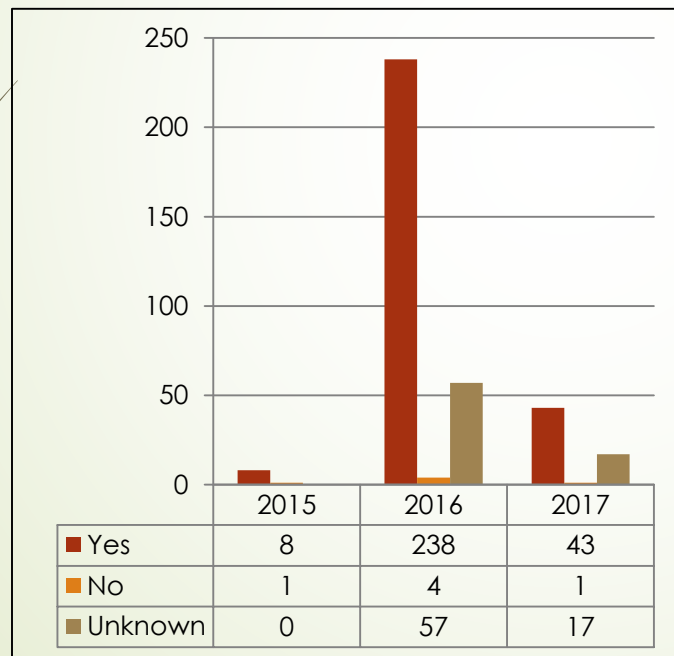


Breakdown by Product:
Amphastar vs. Adapt (N=1,291)



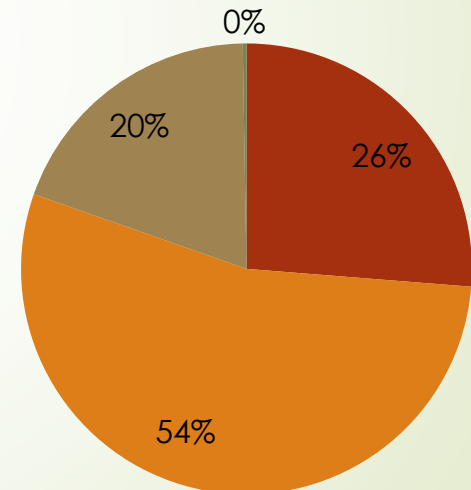
Outcomes by Year: Community

Outcomes by Year (N=369)



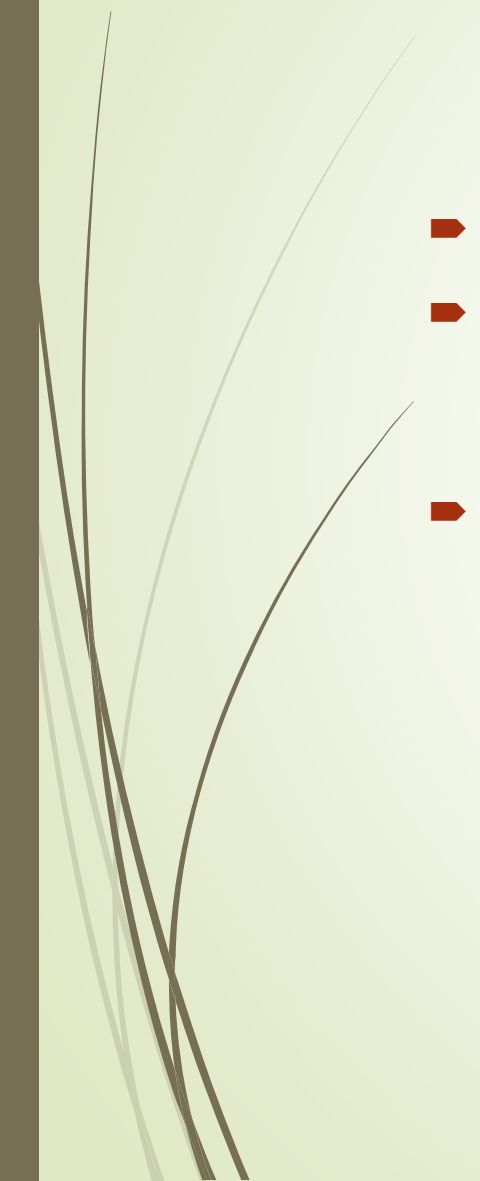
Was EMS/911 Contacted (N=377)

■ Yes ■ No ■ Unknown ■ Not reported





Additional Naloxone Workgroup Activities

- Applying for grants to fund expanded efforts –
 - 1. Submission to CARA to coordinate and streamline naloxone reporting and linkage to treatment responses at time of overdoses.
 - 2. Collaborating with local treatment and prevention providers to implement OASAS Coalition grant, recently awarded.
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Where We're Going for the Future

- ▶ We are investigating a new app-based program to record opiate overdose calls (might replace the paper forms)
 - ▶ Pros: Simple, free, real-time, automatically creates maps for us
 - ▶ Cons: does not collect demographic information (age, gender, etc.)
- ▶ Deploying billboards across Erie County to raise awareness through NYSDOHAI funding from the CDC
 - ▶ Three themes: Treatment, Recovery, and Removing the Stigma
 - ▶ Billboards will go up in May
- ▶ Collaborating with Provider Education Workgroup to create PSAs that will air in movie theaters